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VOIUME I.

GREEN DELL, CHASE P. O., MICH., THURSDAY, MAY 1, 1873.

NUMBER I

Der Baby. WARE QUENCHER. So help as graious, efery day I laugh mivile to saw der vay My shmall our baby drie to bla

Dot funny leetle baby. When I loc of them leetle toes, Und saw de funy leetle nose, Und heard or ay dot rooster crows; schmile like I was grazy.

Und when heard the real nice vay, Dem beoble to my vife dhey say-"More like is face" efery day," I vas so broud like bla

Sometimes here cooms a lectle shquall Dot's whes der vindy vind vill crawl, Righd in ts leetle schomack schmall, Dot's too bad for der ba

Dot makes limsing at night so schveet, Und gorrybarriche musd ead, Und I must chund shibry on my feet, To help dot leetle baby.

He bulls my nos und ticks my hair, Und grawlene efer elephere, Und shlobbes me—bu vat I care! Dot vas by shmall young be

Around my lead dot lettle arm

Vas schquozn me so nie and varm—

Oh! may dhee never com some harm

To dot schnall jeetle baby.

The Young Instche.

Nortouch a single hair our razor, brush and other trash, Must never venture thee; t last the bud has blossoped out,

By much corressing taught; Its frail you be tendrils how they sprou Then, be be, touch it no. mough well aid out and wide the field Whence this young mou

The sickly soil no more on yield-Oh, well guard then its oots; or should the murderos blade sweet The curved lip's shalowy mist, Then, barber, oh, deist.

hink of the dear young girl, whose lip Was went so ofter to press That budding mout, its sweets to slip-Oh, think of her istress. Tis unfledged manlood's pride and joy, With sighs and cars 'twas brought, Oh, barber, touch it not !

The Story-Teller.

"Can I sit with you?" "Certainly, sir." "Nice weather."

"Splendid, indeed." "Crops growing finely?" "Yes, couldn't do better,"

I was sitting in a passenger coach, on a Wisconsin railroad, Desier in Drugs, Medicines, Pals, Oils one day, years ago, when a good quired. etc., etc., in Fisk & Barrows' welry looking, pleasant spoken man came along, stopped at my seat, and the above conversation took place, the latter part of it after I had

Now, I am regarded as a social man. I like a joke, a good bit; attempt to pump me further. We and I think a sour, morose man, who use his tongue only when forced to is sure to die of some terrible disease, and to go to some ness for Itew days. I had not place of red-hot punishment. On entering a railroad car I al- he knew everything about me.

ways look about for a talkative man, and then get as close to him as possible, and drain bim dry, if team and drove out, geting through the journey is long enough.

could realize the event which made hotel as I drove up, carrying that me one, I got kicked here and cuffed there, and grew up between folks," as they say, I ought to hrve bad, at the time of which I write, a pretty through knowl- expected," I replied, edge of human nature, and have

ten minutes I began to enjoy his company, He was a well made fellow, finely dressed, and he wore 311 F. & A. M. Tuesday evening a or be- a fine watch and a simon pure forethe full Moon in each mouth, t yo'- diamond ring. I never saw a man length. Law & Law had arrang- did not reply, but urged the horse but she sank down from eight, and

> words fell right out, I had traveled in the South, so had he. I had heard the loud was about to go; "but I want to I was not so badly affected when some of the bills in it, roar of the Pacific; he know all give you a word warning, never- opening my eyes.- I had settled "there's nothing like transacting about it. I had been up in a theless. Don't take any stranger into a sort of dumb stupor, with a business as it should be transactballeon, down in a mine; been into your confidence untilyon have brain so benumbed that I had to ed, Some men would would have blown up, smashed up, and re- passed out the money, and look say to myself, "this is a tree, that shot or stabled you, but it is only paired again; my new friend had who sits next to you." experienced all those things, and It was something new for him make sure that I was not wrong. All the real gentlement of our was waiting for something new to caution me, and I could not but Half a mile down the road after calling do business as gentlemen to turn up of a more startling na- wonder at it; but in the bustle of we struck the forest, and then Ral should." ture. We agreed on politics; neis getting on board the train I forgot eigh turned the horse into a blind le drew off the other boot, and

sworn to yourself not to reveal? pickpocket could not reach it. Well, he was just such a man. It | Interested in a newspaper, time

of Wisconsin, as a student of Law ed for meto come up. named Preston, down about four miles from Grafton, had died, and ride up to the hotel." his matters had been put into the hands of Law & Law for settlement money in the bank, railroad stocks, mortages, etc., and everything was settled up to the satisfaction of the relict and the fatherless. About a year before his death,

being pinched for money, and not greatly pleased. rifice, Preston had given a mortgage on his farm for three thousread "one year from date

was a verbal it should

troved the memoranda, and I must after we had passed a mile or so left at." about five miles. The stranger had should have offered you this be- little. pumped all this out of me in ten fore," minutes, and yet I never once sus-

formation. "I am not positive," I added. day next."

"And then your folks will send

"Oh, yes, I should most likely never occurred to me how miprudent I was.

fle turned the conversation into other channels, and did not once got to Grafton at 10;30, and to my great surprise he announced that he was to stop in the town on busiasked his name or avocation, while

We went to the hotel, had dinner, and then I secured a lively with the business so that I was And I want to state lone, thing back to take the 2:30 express east. more: Left an orphan before I My friend was on the porch of the

> same honest, dignified face. "Well, did you find out?" he in quired in his pleasant way, "Yes; it is on the 13th, as I

We had lunch together, and been enabled to read in a man's when we shook hands and parted. face if he intended me evil. I didn't I had no more idea of seeing him pride myself on being over keen again than I have of knowing you. or extra sharp, but the knocking In fact he told me that he should Reed City, Mich., dealers in freh and salt around among strangers ought to sail for England in a week or ten get a doctor." give any one a good experience. days, and should not return to Well, the stranger and I fell America. At parting he gave into an easy train of conversation me his eard. It was a modest as we rode on togother, and in piece of pasteboard, and bore the name of "George Raleigh,' 'in old

English scrip. Everything at the office went on as usual, and the 13th came at who could talk so easily and ed for me to go down with the forward. pleasantly. It seemed that he money, and I looked upon it as a but to open his mouth and the business of no special importance.

tion. Did you ever meet a man, ey, which was all in bank bills who, though a stranger to you and divided into three packages, ten minutes before, could wrest under my shirt, and next to my from you secrets which you'd skin, where the deft hand of a

was not long before he commenced flew by, as the train flew west, asking me questions. He did not and at length the hoarse voice of seem trying to quiz or draw me the brakeman warned me that I around to the wheel, out; he asked me questions in such had reached Grafton. I had a sly, roundabout way, that be- leaped down and was making my fore I knew it I was giving him way to the livery stable, when I heard a familiar voice, and looked I was at that time just on the to see Raleigh. He was seated in point of being admitted to the bar a buggy, and had seemingly wait-

& Law, of Brierville. The firm "Don't express your surprise," weighed a tou, but he carried me likely to meet some traveler. were old lawyers, with a lucrative he began, as I stopped at the without an effort, and laid me want to use the horse and buggy, practice, and it had been talked wheel. "Idid intend to go away, down within about a rod of the otherwise I would leave them for over that in about a month I but I changed my mind, and, I fence which ran along on one side you." should become the "Co," of the like this section so well that I am of en old pasture. Just now the firm. A year before a farmer going out to-day to look at a farm, effect of the drug was wearing

and while we were discussing it, pened. But I was powerless to he was going to see was just be- like that whee your foot goes to yond old Seripp's.

How fortunate! I could ride out

wishing to sell anything at sac- I was also pleased. If any one where you stored away that had told me as we got into the money." buggy that George Raleigh meant and dollars. While the papers to return with my money in his ation. His face looked natural nocket and my blood upon his again, and the load was off my

A fire he ded a cover min at my errand, the floating currency, so that each wankee, and had no thought of and for the most part quit it, among our flow and des- "Oh! excuse me," he exclaimed one is provided for and no one is such rich pickings here."

to me. Now, I was temperate in regard to drinks. In fact I debut I am pretty sure the time is tested the sight and smell of anynot the moral courage to tell him good swallows. He called my at- my mouth. . tention to the woods on the left

mouth as if he had drank heartily. admitted to the bar." In about five minutes I began long way off.

it was apoplexv."

echo, and his face seemed twice she did not go. . ly frightened.

About three miles from Grafton she passed through the grass. "We know you are all right," this we soon reached. The pain remarked Raleigh, as he drew off remarked the senior partner, as I in my head was not so violent, and one of his, boots and deposited ther had any religion; and I had what he said. Ordinary prodence road leading back into the woods, placed some "fifties" and "twennever met ench a railroad compan- had induced me topplace the mon- I could not understand what be ties" in it, and then continued :

intended. I tried to grapple with

"Well, here we are, exclaimed my person. I shall lay you on Raleigh, when we had reached a your back and pour the balance point forty rods from the road, of this wine down your throat.

"You don't feel just right but I of miles away. As soon as I see guess you will be better so he that the drug has taken effect l remarked. "Come, let me help shall untie your hands and reyou down,"

let go the seat and fell into you had better crawl out to the them. It seemed to me as if I road, where you will be mos with a view of purchasing. Come off and I began to feel a little better, and I got a faint suspicion We rode up, ordered a lunch, that something unusual had hap-

"Can you speak?" inquired Rawith him, see the farm, and return | leigh, bending over me, "because in his company, and he would be if you can it will save me some trouble. I want to know just

> Now I began to realize my situmy fingers a little.

voice at last.

"Ah, I see -didn't take quite jaws. He drew from his pocket a enough," he coolly remarked. I rolled my head to one side pected that he was receiving in- small flask of wine and handed it "Well. I have provided for this." down beside me. I had but little of a step, the crash of a club, and the 13th-which would be Tues- thing intoxicating. But I had strength yet, and he conquered Raleigh rolled off my body. He me in a moment. Lying on my tried to leap up, but three or four so and hand back the flask undis- right side looking toward the down the money and discharge sturbed. I feared to offend bim, fence, he tied my hands behind

"There now! you see you are bring it dowh." I replied, and it as he received back the flask, nicely fixed up, and all because and when I looked around again you acted like a fool, instead of a

While he was speaking-into feel queer. The fences along deed while he was trying me, I tunately witnessed part of Rathe road seemed to grow higher had caught sight of the white face leigh's proceedings. She had hurand the trees to grow large; of a little girl looking at us be- ried back to her father and told something got into my ears so that tween the rails of the fence. I "How strange! why, I believe mouth and on the little hand rest. situation he and his men had I am going to be sick!" I exclaim- ing on the rail, and I knew that ed, holding on to the seat with all she was some farmer's child searching for strawberries, I could the result. "You do look strange," he re- not warn her of her danger, and I plied, a snaky smile stealing over feared that she would be seen or ses he was terribly taken back, his face. "I shouldn't wonder if heard. While Raleigh was tying and cursed enough for a whole the last knot, I winked at the lit-I did not suspect the game he tle girl as hard as I could, hoping had played. His words were like that she would move away. But

as large as it usually was. My "Well, now for the money," head began to spin and my brain said Raleigh, and he began searchto snap and crack, and I was great- ing my pockets. He went from one to the other, removing all "You are bad off," he continu- the articles, felt down my bootleg, dresses for many a year. ed, looking into my face. "I and then finally passed his hand will drive as fast as possible, and over my bosom and discovered

the money. My tongue was so heavy that I "Ha! there it is!" he exclaimed. could not reply. I clutched the drawing out the packages; and he seat, shut my eyes, and he put was cool enough to go at it to my horse at the best place. We count out the money. As he met a farmer's team, and I can commenced the little girl waved remember that one of the occu- her hand to me. My heart went man has a sister who is a shining pants of the wagon called out to thumping, for I expected she know what ailed me. Raleigh would utter a word or a shout, I caught a gleam of her frock as

was a long stretch of forest, and "You see, my young friend," is a stump," etc., before I could the apprentices who do such work.

"I have it all planned how to the question, but could not solve deal with you as soon as I get this money disposed of around He stopped the horse, got out There's enough of it to make you and hitched him, and then came sleep until to-morrow night, and by that time I shall be hundreds move the gag. When you come He reached up his arms, and I out of your sleep -if you ever do,

How coo! he talked! He treated the matter as if it were a regular transaction in which I fully acquiesced. He had me a fast prisoner, and I felt that he could do just as he pleased. While I was Preston had died rich. He had Mr. Raleigh discovered that farm move a limb; the sensation was thinking I saw the little white face appear between the rails again, but in a moment it faded away and its place was taken by the sonburned phiz of a farmer. and back again, and I winked to puts his foot in the trap. There him in a way he readily under- is good reason to hope that the stood. His face disappeared, and law against sending indecent cir-

I felt that I should be saved.

"Now, in just about a minute go down and get the date from old beyond the village, and were "You shan't have the money; I we'll be through with this busi-Scrip, who lives south of Grafton among the faren houses. "I will die first!" I yelled, rising a ness," he remarked, trying to put the mouth of the flask between my

side and he did not succeed. He He went to the buggy, procured was jamming the flask against my ropes and a gag, and kneeled teeth, when I caught some sound farmers struck bim down, and one of the blows rendered him the mortgage, of course!" he in- and so I drank, perhaps, three me and then forced the gag into senseless. Before he came to I was free of ropes and gag, and

we had him nicely bound. Over beyond the pasture a far mer and his hands were raking he was jast removed it. from his sensible young lawyer soon to be up hay. "Little blue eyes," only after strawberries, and had forhim "that a man was all tied up There were red stains around her to the fence. Understanding the moved around so as to secure an advantage, Raleigh's capture was

When the rascal found his sen-Flanders army. We took him back to Grafton, and when I last waw him he was on his way to the penitentiary to serve a sentence of fifteen years.

The mortgage was lifted after all, and the gift which Law & Law sent little Katie Grey kept her in

Ar an elegant dinner party, in Washingtion, the enfants terrible of the family was permitted to occupy a seat near one of the most distinguished guests. This bete noir is much given to conundrums, which are not always appropriate. Moreover the young bellein society. Eliza is the name of the young lady. The company were startled by the voice of the youngster asking: "Why is father like the devil?" An awkward pause ensued. Then he shouted out, "Because he is the father of Lize!" (lies), That boy did not get his dessert, for he was sent

roung men came into the office of this paper with a manuscript poem. It began with "The snow. the enow, the beautiful snow.' His friends may get the body by applying at the basement and paying for the dry goods box containing the remains of the deceas-

to bed.

Vile Literature Suppressed. The bill to prevent the mailing of obscene books, papers, articles, and advertisements was passed by Congress and signed by the President. Any person who knowingly deposits or cause tos be deposited for mailing or delivery," advertisemement in the postoffice. or articles advertised, takes them \$100 to \$5,000 with costs, or im- then 160 acres shall be permitted cretion of the court.

lisher who abets the meditated enter homesteads on what are callcrimes by printing the advertise ed "double minimum lands," or ments, knowing, as he well knows, lands within the limits of railway their actual nature, and deposits grants and whereas many soldiers. his papers in the mails, is by a fair had entered eighty acres each, construction, also exposed to the they are now permitted to enter a penalties. And every knave in whole quarter section, 160 acres the country who retails the offen- of such lands. The amendment He looked from me to Raleigh sive publication or articles, also simply doubles the quantity of land that may be entered under culars, packages, and alvertise-"No, old Grip'won't get his tiu ments through the mails will do has found two more hog stories to-day," mused Raleigh, storing very much to break the infernal under the snow. Gov. H. West-They believed him tongue. I also felt that I could away the bills in his pockets, trade for it is mostly on the in- on, eight miles south of Indepen-"You will go back to Law & Law experience of the country people dence, lost a hog Jan. 8, weighed orge Raleigh! are you go- feeling out and cut up. But they that the rascals fatten. By far 140 pounds. On the 14th of rob me?" I asked, finding shouldn't blame you -it is not the larger share of their gains March, sixty-nine days after, Mr. your way at all. True, had you comes though the mails. Cut off Norton, in passing over bis stack, Well, some folks might call minded your business on the cars from the postoffice and from ad- stepped into a depression and robbing, but we dress up the and had not been so free with a vertising in newspapers which cir- heard a grunt. Upon invesand a stranger and a little by calling it the only stranger, this would not have hap- culate out of the city, they will tigation he found that identical

rejoicing under the influence of about one thousand drops of joy. He ran against a hydrant while homeward bound, working long longitudes. He happened to mistake the hydrant for a colored boy. "Skuse me, sonnie," said he, patting the hydrent paternally ;" didn't mean to run you down cause you was black. Imitate (bic) and be a useful man. Imitate (hic) my example," and here he laid a quarter on its nozzle and went on with a lighter heart and the satisfaction that he had made horse, - Des Moines Register. one soul happy.

D. A. MAHONY, proprietor of eight years old, had wandered off the Dubuque Daily Evening Tel dropped it, gagging hideously. the rattle of the buggy sounded a could see her great blue eyes. out there," and he had returned abled in a fall, caused by the just then happening to pass that

obstructeed with snow and ice, in Jamaica, L. I., becoming dissatisfied with life because his forepened in, however, and it is be given to the poor. lieved that they will recover.

about a man having invented a see if they could not get him to stove which consumes its own talk. Daniel threw the frog out smoke, hopes he will devise a of the window and never said a method wereby tobacco-smokers word. Soon after he put half a can be run on the same economi- a bushel of chest-nut burs in the cal principle,

PEOPLE who have luxuriated on

buckwheat cakes all winter are

backing up against door-jams and

gate posts with a good deal of

pleasing activity. - Danbury Neros. to the young ladies who thought nonsese talked about bad men not her farmhouse was beautiful; Yes; looking you in the face. Don't a facin house is a fine thing for trust that conventional idea. Disthem as look on, an' don't know honesty will stare honesty out of the liftin' and the standio" an' the countenance any day in the week,

A GENTLEMAN in North Carodie out while he lives.

Local notices, 10 cents per line.

The Soldiers' Homestead Law. There seems to be some misunderstanding regarding the amendments which passed Congress last session in regard of the Soldiers' Homestead law. The amendments proposed were verious and important, but they all failed obscene articles, publications or to pass except the following, which embodies all the change and the person who, in pursuance that has been made in the Homeof any plan or scheme for dispos- stead law: "That any person ening of any of the indecent books titled, under the provisions of the foregoing sections, to enter a from the mails, are alike deemed Homestead, who may have hereguilty of a high misdemeanor, and tofore entered, under the Homeon conviction shall be fined from stead laws a quantity of land less prisoned at hard labor from one to enter so much land as when to ten years, or both, in the dis- added to the quantity previously entered, shall not exceed 100 This bill ladles out justice all acres." This is that whereas the around. The newspaper publaw of 1872 permits soldiers to

Adbertising Hates.

RADCLIFFE & CO.

THE Buchanan County Bulletin was on my way to Mil- find their business unprofitable, hog, alive, but reduced to thirty pounds in weight. He had work-Another clever gentleman has the stack, and during his two ed his way about four feet into been deceived by the hydrants. months and ten days hibernation had nothing to eat except the straw and chaff surrounding him. Isaac Hubbard, of the same county, discovered at the bottom of a melting drift a pig, which was snowed under the memorable 7th of January, thus making seventysix days, during which he had been impris oned without sustenance, save that to be derived from a stack of old, half rotten straw, 'It weighed eighty pounds when he disappeared and twenty pounds, when resuscitated, is yet alive, and gaining like a quarter-

the law .- Boston Globe.

A MONKEY, finding a beap of cocoanuts, gnawed into one, then egraph, has entered suit against "Now, this is what I call perfectly the city of Debuque for \$10,000 disgusting!" said he. "I can nevand interest, for injuries inflicted er leave anything about but some on him, whereby his right arm one comes along and puts a quanwas broken and permanently dis- tity of nasty milk in it!" A cat streets being permitted to remain way began rolling the cocounts about with her paw. "Yeow!" Julius End, a printer, residing she exclaimed; "it is enough to vex the soul of a cast-iron dog! Whenever I set out any milk to man compelled him to perform | cool, somebody comes and scals it menial services, agreed with his- up as tight as a drum?" Then perwife to commit snicide a few days | ceiving one another, and each ago. He sharpened la razor, and, thinking the other the offender. after opening the veins in his arm the curaged animals collided, and and leg, passed the weapon to his wrought a mutual extermination, wife, and she did the same. Then whereby two worthy consumers they both went to bed and calmly were lost to society, and a quanwailed death. A neighbor haps tity of excellent food had to be

A Courte of Yankee girls put A young lady having read a bullfrog in a hired man's bed, to the girls' bed, and about the time he thought they would make the least shadow. Daniel went to the door and rattled it furiously. Out went the candle, and in went the girls; but they didn't stick, though the burs did.

THIS WAS Mrs. Poyser's remark I HAVE known a vast quantity of THE St. Louis Journal says: "A worritin' o' the inside as belongs if there is anything to be got by it - Dickens.

> A LITTLE girl was killed in New lina built a fire in his house on his Hampshire a year a go by a kick wedding day, twenty five years from a horse, which had been ago, and has kept it burning night frightened by a dog, and her and day ever since, and declares father has just recovered \$1.450 his intention never to permit it to damages from the owner of the